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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

	a.	Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
		i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
		ii. Other
	b.	⊠ Enclosed
		i. Amendment/Reply
		ii.
		iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); of cites listed on PTO Form 1449
		iv. Other
2.	<u>M</u> i	i <u>scellaneous</u>
	a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)	
	b.	Other
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3. <u>Fees</u> The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is **required** by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$790.00 large entity; \$395.00 small entity)

ii. Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F. R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. Other

b. \square Check in the amount of \$900.00 enclosed

Respectfully submitted,

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